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INDO US BILATERAL TIES
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to improve Indo-US bilateral ties;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the details of issues likely to be focussed in the next high level Indo-US talks ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) Yes.

(b) & (c) India and the USA have bilateral cooperation in defence, counter terrorism, trade and commerce, energy, agriculture, education, science and technology, health, space, high technology, security and on issues of international significance such as environment and climate change, the Doha round and global peace and security. Cooperation in these areas is being strengthened through regular dialogue in the bilateral mechanisms established for each of the areas of engagement. High-level interactions with the US take place regularly which provides an opportunity to review all facets of our bilateral relationship.